

## Amateur Fencers Compete Locally

Amateur Fencers League of America fencing competition will be held in Torrance at North High tomorrow.

Sponsored by coach Lyle La Mont and the Torrance Recreation Department, advanced fencers will compete with high school and college students in Southern California

## Runners Begin Year With Win

Opening the season on the right foot, El Camino took a 20-52 cross country win over Metropolitan Conference foe Santa Monica on Friday.

Although they lost the first place, the Warriors filled the next eight places to cop the season and conference opener for both squads.

Mike Parson toured the 3.2-mile Centinela Park course in 17:40 to grab second place, followed by Doug Chaney, four seconds back.

JOHN HANNA hauled the Samo colors across the tape in first place with a 17:21 effort.

Ken Lindroth, Kurt Klein, and Don Griffie finished behind Parson and Chaney.

DESPITE THE poor times turned in by the Tribe, coach Ray Southstone was encouraged by the team's performance. The Warriors are building following the graduation of last year's entire varsity squad.

The competition will help determine a 24-member co-ed squad which will compete for a Junior Olympics berth. Twelve boys and 12 girls will then enter national competition for places on the United States fencing team.

RECENTLY, La Mont was appointed by the National Body in New York, Amateur Fencers League of America, as a member of the Board of Governors and recognized coach to instruct fencers to compete internationally.

La Mont instructs fencing at the North High gym on Wednesday nights at 7:30.

The class, sponsored by the Salle La Mont Fencing Club and the Torrance Recreation Department, is open to those 12 years old, including high school ages and adults.

For further information contact John Ferstead at the Recreation Department, FA 8-5310, Ext. 263.

Despite the improvement, Southstone pointed out the Camino leatherlungers have a long way to go before matching last season's Metropolitan Conference and Southern California champions.



HIGH IN THE SADDLE... Jack O'Brien, veteran of many a motorcycle racing war, jockeys his BSA over steeplechase course in preparation for J. C. Agajanian's big 50-lap National Steeplechase championships on Oct. 7 at Ascot Park. O'Brien, who placed third in the recent nationals at Peoria, Ill., will tune-up for the big encounter tomorrow night on the Gardena oval.

## Leading Motorcycle Riders Tune-Up at Ascot Friday

Tuning up for Speed Week at Ascot Park, Southland motorcycle riders compete tomorrow night with the spotlight on the battle for the oval's point crown.

Jack O'Brien and Al Gunter continue their war for the Ascot championship. Contention for the checkered flag will come from Stu Morley, Dick Hammer, Roger Reinl, Neil Keen, Blackie Bruce and Sammy Tanner.

Clyde Litch, Elliott Schultz, and Mert Law will lead the amateur field while Dick Gulielmana remains the class of the novices.

morning night with qualifying starting at 7 p.m.

Many of the country's top cycle riders have signed for the 50-lap national TT steeplechase championships which highlight Speed Week on Sunday, Oct. 7.

THE WEEK will open with a 15-event card on Oct. 5 and continue the following night with qualifying for the national steeplechase finals.

California Racing Assn. big cars take over the Ascot oval this Saturday to close out their seasonal campaign on the Gardena oval.

Scroggins will top the field in the 30-lap main event. Racing begins at 8:30 p.m. with time trials opening at 7:30 p.m.

SCROGGINS will attempt to hold off the late season surges of Billy Cantrell, Dee Jones, and one-armed veteran Allen Heath.

Cantrell will challenge in the 1961 national champion sprint car, an Offenhauser, formerly driven by Indianapolis winner A. J. Hoyt. He has hung up two main event wins and two solid seconds in his last four outings to trail Scroggins by less than 175 points.

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